

MULTIPLICATION OF COMPLEX NUMBERS IN POLAR FORM

Rule: $r_1 \text{ cis } \theta_1 \times r_2 \text{ cis } \theta_2 = r_1 r_2 \text{ cis } (\theta_1 + \theta_2)$ multiply the moduli,
and add the arguments

Proof: $r_1 \text{ cis } \theta_1 \times r_2 \text{ cis } \theta_2$
 $= r_1 (\cos \theta_1 + i \sin \theta_1) \times r_2 (\cos \theta_2 + i \sin \theta_2)$
 $= r_1 r_2 (\cos \theta_1 + i \sin \theta_1)(\cos \theta_2 + i \sin \theta_2)$
 $= r_1 r_2 (\cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 + i \cos \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 + i \sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 + i^2 \sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_2)$
 $= r_1 r_2 (\cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 - \sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 + i(\cos \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 + \sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_2))$
 $= r_1 r_2 (\cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) + i(\sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2)))$
 $= r_1 r_2 \text{ cis } (\theta_1 + \theta_2)$

Example: Calculate $5 \text{ cis } 60^\circ \times 2 \text{ cis } 150^\circ$.
Leave your answer in polar form.

$$\begin{aligned} & 5 \text{ cis } 60^\circ \times 2 \text{ cis } 150^\circ \\ &= 5 \times 2 \text{ cis } (60^\circ + 150^\circ) \\ &= 10 \text{ cis } 210^\circ \\ &= 10 \text{ cis } (-150^\circ) \quad \text{convert } \theta \text{ to its principal value (which is within } -180^\circ \leq \theta \leq 180^\circ) \end{aligned}$$

Line 4 to Line 5 uses these Trig Identities to convert the trig expressions:

- $\cos (A+B) = \cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B$
- $\sin (A+B) = \sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B$

DIVISION OF COMPLEX NUMBERS IN POLAR FORM

Rule: $\frac{r_1 \text{ cis } \theta_1}{r_2 \text{ cis } \theta_2} = \frac{r_1}{r_2} \text{ cis } (\theta_1 - \theta_2)$ divide the moduli,
and subtract the arguments

Proof: similar to above, multiply the top and bottom of the quotient by the conjugate of the denominator. Simplify using the trig identities.

Example: Calculate $\frac{16 \text{ cis } 30^\circ}{2 \text{ cis } 90^\circ}$. Leave your answer in polar form.

$$\frac{16 \text{ cis } 30^\circ}{2 \text{ cis } 90^\circ} = \frac{16}{2} \text{ cis } (30^\circ - 90^\circ) = 8 \text{ cis } (-60^\circ)$$